

What is claimed is:

1. An information retrieval apparatus for retrieving information from a data base which contains registration data

$$\text{sub } B' \rightarrow m$$

imaging means for obtaining an image;

selection means for selecting image data from said data

2. An information retrieval apparatus according to claim 1 further comprising reception means for receiving the image data and the designation information via a computer network.

4. An information retrieval apparatus according to claim 3 wherein the designation information is a URL for specifying information stored in a server of a world wide web build up on the Internet.

obtaining an image;

selecting image data from said data base which corre-

* * * * *

6. An information retrieval apparatus for retrieving information from a database which contains registration data including at least position data and designation information for retrieval of additional information, comprising:

location detection means for detecting a current position location of said information retrieval apparatus; and

selection means for selecting data from said database which corresponds to said detected current position location of said information retrieval apparatus, said selected data having position data representing positions in the vicinity of the detected current position location, said designation information corresponding to said selected data for retrieving said additional information.

Subst
T00270-0220550

Asst
1